

Vatican Official Sets America Trip

Milwaukee (NC) — The Vicar General of Vatican City and Papal Sacristan, Bishop Peter Caelius van Lierde, O.S.A., will arrive in New York September 26 to visit the principal houses of the Augustinian Order in the United States, it was announced here.

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OPEN HOUSE was held in Holy Family School, Auburn Sunday, after Mass. Here are a few of the many parishioners in a third grade room with Sister Mary Leona, teacher as she explains work done in her room.

Court Canandaigua Names New Vice Grand Regent

Canandaigua — First fall meeting of Court Canandaigua, 830, Catholic Daughters of America was held Monday, Sept. 19, in the K of C rooms.

Miss Ruth Conroy was elected vice grand regent to succeed Mrs. Viola Patoma who has moved from this vicinity. Miss Isabelle O'Rourke was elected trustee for one year to succeed Miss Conroy.

Mrs. Maomi Henry, a former member of Court Isabella, East Bloomfield, N. Y. and now a resident of Canandaigua was welcomed into the organization.

The members voted on giving a donation of \$15 to the Community Chest and a \$6 donation to the 24th annual card party.

Slovak President Pittsburgh — (NC) — Mrs. Helen Kocan of Whiting, Ind., was elected president of the First Catholic Slovak Ladies Union at the organization's 25th national convention here.

LAST WEEK'S PAID CIRCULATION 53,546

Dansville Women View Religious Film; KC Auxiliary Meets

Dansville — The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus held its first fall meeting Monday evening, Sept. 12, at the K. of C. Hall, Dansville.

The next meeting, scheduled for Oct. 10, has been designated Wayland and Perkinsville night.

Mrs. Clarence Gessner of Wayland and Miss Hilda Gessner of Perkinsville have been named co-chairmen of the Social Committee.

The meeting was preceded by the showing of I Sing of a Maiden, a feature length film drama on the joys and sorrows of the Blessed Virgin. The film was sponsored by the Auxiliary in conjunction with the Altar Society of St. Patrick's and the Christian Mothers Society of St. Mary's Church, approximately 125 members and guests were present including the Auxiliary Moderator, Rev. John C. O'Donnell of Dansville, the Rev. Fathers Edward M. Scheld and Gerard Amann of Dansville and John Murphy of Sonyea.

A social hour followed the showing of the film. Arrangements were in charge of the officers of the Auxiliary.

A contribution of \$10.00 to the American Red Cross Flood Relief Fund was approved by the members of the Auxiliary.

A nominating committee headed by Mrs. Edward Murphy, chaired during refreshments Mrs. William Simon and Mrs. Mrs. Carmella DiMartino served as chairman of the refreshment year 1955-56 at the October meeting.

Abbot's Sudden Death Overseas Shocks Diocese

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April 21, 1906 in Baldwin, Wis., where he attended primary school. He began his high school studies at St. Mary's High School, Eau Claire, Wis., and completed them at Creighton High School, Omaha, Neb.

He was one of the first students of the St. Paul Preparatory Seminary when it opened at Nazareth Hall in 1923. Two years later, he entered the Paulist Fathers' novitiate in Sept. 1925.

Desiring a more contemplative religious life, he entered the Claretian Order at the Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani in 1926. After two years of novitiate, he made his temporary vows for three years, then solemn vows for life.

DOM GERARD received the Minor and Major orders and was ordained to the priesthood on Dec. 21, 1935. He was made guest-master in 1940 and until 1943 served as retreatmaster of laymen and priest retreatants.

Appointed master of lay brothers in 1946, Dom Gerard became master of choir novices in 1947, which office he held until he was made Prior of Gethsemani in November, 1949.

His appointment as superior of Our Lady of Gethsemani on Aug. 22, 1949 and after two years of preparation, he left the Abbey of Gethsemani with his fellow pioneers on May 25, 1951 to make the first trappist foundation in New York State.

From the Sacred Heart Retreat House Aurville, N. Y., where he is making his annual retreat, His Excellency Bishop Kearney sent this message to the Abbey at Filflad:

"We shall always be deeply indebted to this saintly gentleman who founded the first Claretian monastery in New York State. The Abbot was deeply loved and esteemed by all of us and many of our gatherings were enriched spiritually by his inspired words. His Community of all of us. We have all lost a very dear friend. God grant that we may all be as ready for judgment as we know he was."

Auxiliary Bishop Casey offered like sympathies to the Trappist community. The Rev. Joseph A. Cirincione, pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Rochester, who had been a close friend since their meeting ten years ago at Gethsemani Abbey, was deeply grieved by the abbot's death.

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"The novice whom you are sponsoring is offering special prayers in your behalf. For this help in our urgent necessity our community prayers are also being offered for your special intentions." SISTER MICHAEL, September 29th, and SISTER BRIDGET, both Carmelite Sisters in Southern India also pledge their prayerful, grateful, loving hearts, if you help them. Each needs \$500 for her two years training. Could you afford \$150 a year for two years?

WHY NOT DO GOOD NOW WHILE YOU ARE LIVING.

\$8 A SOUL "Be sober, be watchful! For your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, goes about seeking someone to devour." St. Peter, the Prince of the Apostles, gives us these words of wisdom and his successor, the Holy Father, admonishes in like manner. In the Near East, we have thousands of little innocent lambs of school age that are on the brink of being devoured by the lion of diabolical teaching. In honor of Our Lady of Ransom, September 24th, could you rescue one of these souls for Christ, the Lamb of God, \$8 will provide a whole year's Christian education for a poor orphan. This is a tremendous price of the Lamb of God who purchased our redemption by His Precious Blood. PLEASE BUY ONE SOUL FOR \$8.

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I WAS NAKED During His passion and death Christ suffered the ignominy of nakedness. Certainly we would have covered His Sacred Body, had we been able. Once again He suffers in the nakedness of His orphans. Could you cover the Body of Christ by clothing one of our destitute children? \$3 will buy an orphan's uniform. "I was naked and you covered me," said the Lord.

MAKE YOUR WILL HIS WILL. PLEASE REMEMBER THE GOOD LORD AND HIS NEAR EAST MISSIONS IN YOUR LAST WILL.

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COSMOS AND DAMIAN From the OLD FOLKS HOME in Jerusalem comes the harrowing cry for MEDICINE to comfort the aged and dying. In honor of Saints Cosmos and Damian, physicians and brothers, who studied in Syria and whose feast day is September 27th, could you send us \$5 for this emergency? Dear Lord, give to quiet us a peaceful end.

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